

PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP 20 Jul 49	2. LOCATION 20/2300 ⁴	Galveston, Texas	406
3. SOURCE Civilian	10. CONCLUSION Astro (METEOR)		
4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS One			
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION less than 30 seconds	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS When object was about a 90 deg angle over Galveston, it appeared to stop. This impression may have been gained by the high altitude and angle of flight and it could have been that the object did not stop. Then the object disappeared into the West at tremendous speed. The object was like a big star.		
6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION Ground-visual			
7. COURSE West			
8. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			

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INCIDENT NO. 1.06

1. Date of Observation 20 July 1949 Date of Interview _____
2. Exact Time (local) 1700
3. Place of Observation Galveston, Texas
4. Position of observer Ground
5. What attracted attention to object
6. Number of objects 1
7. Apparent size Large Star
8. Color of object Bright, luminous
9. Shape Round
10. Altitude 90°
11. Direction from observer Easternly
12. Distance from observer 10,000 feet
13. Direction of flight of object(s) East to West
14. Time in sight Not over 30 seconds
15. Speed Extremely high rate
16. Sound and odor None noticed due to noise of breakers
17. Trail None
18. Luminosity
19. Projections
20. Maneuvers
21. Manner of disappearance Faded in distance
22. Effect on Clouds
23. Additional information concerning object
24. Weather Conditions Cloudless, intense blue sky, 15 MPH wind

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Name and address of observer: [REDACTED] Houston, Texas.

Occupation and hobbies:

Investigator

Comments of Interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer(s):

NARRATIVE SUMMARY:

Remarks

When object was about a 90° angle over Galveston, it appeared to stop. This impression may have been gained by the high altitude and angle of flight and it could have been that the object did not stop but merely reached an apex in its flight from observer's position. At this moment observer called his wife's attention to the object, and immediately thereafter the object disappeared into the west at a tremendous speed, in just a few seconds; just seemed to fade into the distance at the level of flight at which it was first observed.

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FORT SAM HOUSTON, TEXAS

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1 August 1949

SUBJECT: Unidentified Aerial Phenomena

TO : Commanding General
Air Materiel Command
Wright Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio
ATTENTION: M.C.I.

The inclosed report re unidentified aerial phenomena observed by [REDACTED], Jr., at Galveston, Texas, 20 July 1949, is forwarded for your information.

FOR THE COMMANDING GENERAL:

Max H. Soifer

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As stated

MAX H. GOOLER
Colonel, GSC
Actg AC of S, G-2

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UNIDENTIFIED AERIAL OBJECTS

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Incident No. _____

1. Date of observation 20 July 1949 Date of Interview _____
2. Exact time of observation (local) 1700 hours
3. Place of observation: Galveston Public Beach, about 200 yds south of
(Map Coordinates) 61st Street, Galveston, Texas
4. Position of observer (air, car, bldg, location or - give details):
Reclining in beach chair
5. What attracted attention to object: _____
6. Number of objects and sketch of formation or grouping: One (1)
7. Apparent size (compare to known object, i.e., sun, moon, thumb or fist
at arms length): Large star
8. Color of object: Bright luminous color
9. Shape (give graphic description - compare with known object): Round
10. Altitude (Angle of elevation above horizon - 0° at horizon, 90° overhead)
90° angle over Galveston
11. Direction from observer (Angle clockwise from north): Easterly direction
over Gulf of Mexico
12. Distance from observer (distance to town, bldg, etc., over which object
appeared to be): Estimated 10,000 feet
13. Direction of flight of object (s): Almost direct east-west flight.
14. Time in sight: Not over 30 seconds.
15. Speed (time to cover given angular distance):
Traveling at an extremely high rate of speed.
16. Sound and odor: Due to object's great height and noise of breakers on the
beach, no sound from the object was discerned nor was there any odor.
17. Trail (color, length, width, persistence, etc.): Object did not leave any
trail of vapor or fire.
18. Luminosity (visible by reflection, incandescence, other - degree of
brilliance): _____
19. Projections (fins, wings, rods, antennae, canopies, etc.): None noted.
20. Maneuvers (turns, climbs, dives, etc - sketch of flight path):
See REMARKS

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Comments of interrogator relative to intelligence and character of observer (check neighbors, police dept, FBI records, employer, etc.)

Did observer wear glasses, especially polaroid glasses at time of sighting, or was object viewed through canopy, window, or other transparent material? Both observers were wearing green sun glasses. Object viewed while reclining in a beach chair on Galveston Public Beach, about 200 yards south of 61st St., Galveston, Texas.

REMARKS: Item 20. When object was about a 90° angle over Galveston, it appeared to stop. This impression may have been gained by the high altitude and angle of flight and it could have been that the object did not stop but merely reached an apex in its flight from observer's position. At this moment observer called his wife's attention to the object, and immediately thereafter the object disappeared into the west at a tremendous speed, in just a few seconds; just seemed to fade into the distance at the level of flight at which it was first observed.

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